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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PEPR, US, ZA

SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S BILATERAL WITH ZAMBIAN FOREIGN  
MINISTER: ZAMBIA ECONOMIC SITUATION

REF: STATE 038241

1. NEAR THE END OF HIS CONVERSATION WITH FOREIGN  
MINISTER MWALE AT USUN FEBRUARY 13 (REFTEL), THE SECRETARY  
ASKED MWALE HOW THE ECONOMIC SITUATION WAS IN ZAMBIA.  
MWALE SAID IT STILL WAS VERY BAD, HOWEVER HE HOPED THAT  
THE ZAMBIAN BUDGET WOULD HAVE A POSITIVE EFFECT ON  
INTERNATIONAL CONFIDENCE. MWALE SAID THERE WERE TWO  
WAYS ZAMBIA EXPECTED THE UNITED STATES TO HELP THEM OUT  
OF THEIR CURRENT ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES. FIRST, WE  
SHOULD MAKE OUR VOICE KNOWN IN THE IMF. WE COULD BE  
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HELPFUL BY HAVING A POSITIVE INFLUENCE ON THE IMF  
DECISION REGARDING ZAMBIA. SECOND, ZAMBIA NEEDED OUR  
ASSISTANCE IN REGARD TO ITS DOLS 500 MILLION DEBT, MUCH  
OF WHICH APPLIED TO ZAMBIAN IMPORTS FROM THE US. IF  
ZAMBIA COULD PAY SOME OF THIS DEBT, HE SAID, IT WOULD  
REGAIN INTERNATIONAL CONFIDENCE, WHICH IS OF SUCH GREAT  
IMPORTANCE TO THE COUNTRY'S FUTURE.

2. THE SECRETARY ASKED IF THE PROBLEM ON DEBT WAS ONE

OF IMMEDIATE REPAYMENT OR OF DEBTS PAYABLE OVER A  
NUMBER OF YEARS. MWALE SAID IT WAS BOTH. IN RESPONSE  
TO THE SECRETARY'S QUESTION, HE SAID THAT ABOUT HALF OF  
THE DOLS 500 MILLION DEBT WAS FOR IMPORTS. THE SECRETARY  
SAID THAT HE HAD FOLLOWED THIS MATTER THROUGH WITH  
REGARD TO THE IMF. BUT CONCERNING THE DEBT QUESTION,  
HE WOULD HAVE TO TAKE A CLOSE LOOK AT IT. HE WOULD  
STUDY THE MATTER, CONFER WITH STATE DEPARTMENT EXPERTS,  
AND MEET WITH MWALE AGAIN ON WEDNESDAY.

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